

## **DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

[Public Notice:10344]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery

**ACTION:** Notice of request for public comment and submission to OMB of proposed collection of information.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of State has submitted the information collection described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for approval. In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 we are requesting comments on this collection from all interested individuals and organizations. The purpose of this Notice is to allow 30 days for public comment.

**DATES:** Submit comments directly to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) up to [the FR will insert date 30 days from date of publication in the *Federal Register*]. **ADDRESSES:** Direct comments to the Department of State Desk Officer in the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). You may submit comments by the following methods:

- <u>E-mail</u>: oira\_submission@omb.eop.gov. You must include the DS form number, information collection title, and the OMB control number in the subject line of your message.
- Fax: 202-395-5806. Attention: Desk Officer for Department of State.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Direct requests for additional information regarding the collection listed in this notice, including requests for copies of the proposed collection instrument and supporting documents, to Pamela Watkins,

Department of State, Office of Directives Management, 1800 G Street, NW, Suite 2400, Washington, DC 20522-2202 who may be reached at watkinspk@state.gov.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- <u>Title of Information Collection</u>: Generic Clearance for the Collection of Qualitative Feedback on Agency Service Delivery
- *OMB Control Number*: 1405-0193
- <u>Type of Request</u>: Extension of a Currently Approved Collection
- Originating Office: Office of Directives Management, A/GIS/DIR
- Form Number: Various public surveys
- <u>Respondents</u>: Individuals responding to Department of State customer service evaluation requests
- Estimated Number of Respondents: 1,000,000
- *Estimated Number of Responses*: 1,000,000
- Average Time Per Response: 3.5 minutes
- Total Estimated Burden Time: 58,333 annual hours
- <u>Frequency</u>: Once per request
- *Obligation to Respond:* Voluntary

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department.
- Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used.

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• Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected.

• Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of

automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Please note that comments submitted in response to this Notice are public record. Before

including any detailed personal information, you should be aware that your comments as

submitted, including your personal information, will be available for public review.

Abstract of proposed collection:

A 60-day notice for public comment was published on December 15, 2017 (82 FR

59943). No responsive comments were received. This renewal request increases the

number of respondents from 325,000 to 1,000,000 to continue to allow the Department to

collect qualitative customer feedback in an efficient, timely manner, in accordance with

the Administration's commitment to improving service delivery.

*Methodology:* 

Respondents will fill out a brief customer survey after completing their interaction

with a Department Program Office or Embassy. Surveys are designed to gather feedback

on the customer's experiences.

Janet Freer,

Director.

Office of Directives Management,

Department of State.

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